

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-00765-CRC**

CASTANEDA SANCHEZ v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
HOMELAND SECURITY et al

Assigned to: Judge Christopher R. Cooper

Lead case: [1:18-cv-00764-CRC](#)

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Case: [1:17-cv-01459-CRC](#)

Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 04/04/2018

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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04/04/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5404733) filed by RANFIEL CASTANEDA SANCHEZ. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Attorney for DC, # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons DHS, # <u>5</u> Summons DHS)(Wright, Jason) (Entered: 04/04/2018)
04/04/2018	<u>2</u>	NOTICE OF RELATED CASE by RANFIEL CASTANEDA SANCHEZ. Case related to Case No. 17-1459. (Wright, Jason) (Entered: 04/04/2018)
04/04/2018	<u>3</u>	MOTION for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice :Attorney Name- W. Asa Hutchinson III, :Firm- The Asa Hutchinson Law Group, PLC, :Address- 912 W. Central Ave., Bentonville, Arkansas 72712. Phone No. - (479) 878-1600. Fax No. - (479) 876-8283 Filing fee \$ 100, receipt number 0090-5404771. Fee Status: Fee Paid. by RANFIEL CASTANEDA SANCHEZ (Wright, Jason) (Entered: 04/04/2018)
04/05/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Christopher R. Cooper. (zsb) (Entered: 04/05/2018)
04/05/2018	<u>4</u>	SUMMONS (4) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zsb) (Entered: 04/05/2018)
04/09/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>3</u> Motion for Leave to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 4/9/2018. (lccrc2) (Entered: 04/09/2018)
05/10/2018	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Rhonda Lisa Campbell on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 05/10/2018)
05/16/2018	<u>6</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 5/1/2018. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 5/31/2018. (Wright, Jason) (Entered: 05/16/2018)
05/29/2018	<u>7</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer re <u>1</u> Complaint, by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 05/29/2018)
06/01/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>7</u> Defendants' Motion for Extension of Time to Answer. Defendants' response to the complaint shall be due by July 7, 2018. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 6/1/2018. (lccrc2) (Entered: 06/01/2018)
06/01/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Answer due by 7/7/2018 (lsj) (Entered: 06/01/2018)
07/06/2018	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE.(Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 07/06/2018)
07/27/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall confer and file a joint proposed schedule for briefing or disclosure by August 10, 2018. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 7/27/2018. (lccrc3) (Entered: 07/27/2018)
07/27/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 8/10/2018 (lsj) (Entered: 07/27/2018)
08/10/2018	<u>9</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 08/10/2018)
08/14/2018	<u>10</u>	MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further Joint Status Report on or before September 11, 2018 to inform the Court of the status of DHS's production and to provide a proposed briefing schedule regarding the FOIA request to the State Department, if appropriate. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 08/14/2018. (lccrc3) Modified on 8/14/2018 (zlsj). (Entered: 08/14/2018)
08/14/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 9/11/2018 (lsj) (Entered: 08/14/2018)
09/11/2018	<u>11</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 09/11/2018)

09/11/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>11</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before December 5, 2018, to include a proposed briefing schedule. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 09/11/2018. (lccrc3) (Entered: 09/11/2018)
09/12/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Proposed Briefing Schedule and Status Report due by 12/5/2018 (lsj) (Entered: 09/12/2018)
10/17/2018	<u>12</u>	ERRATA Answer (Corrected Paragraph Numbers) by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Errata Corrected Answer)(Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 10/17/2018)
12/06/2018	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 12/06/2018)
12/07/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>13</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before January 11, 2019, to include a proposed briefing schedule if necessary. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 12/07/2018. (lccrc3) (Entered: 12/07/2018)
12/10/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 1/11/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 12/10/2018)
01/09/2019	<u>14</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to , MOTION to Stay <i>in Light of Lapse of Appropriations</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hudak, Brian) (Entered: 01/09/2019)
01/10/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>14</u> Motion to Stay. Defendants shall notify the Court as soon as necessary funding is restored. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 01/10/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 01/10/2019)
01/30/2019	<u>15</u>	NOTICE of Restored Funding by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE (Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 01/30/2019)
02/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER: In light of the restoration of appropriations, the stay in this case is lifted. The parties shall provide a joint status report on or before February 8, 2019, which shall include a proposed schedule for future proceedings. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 02/01/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 02/01/2019)
02/01/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report and Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 2/8/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 02/01/2019)
02/08/2019	<u>16</u>	STATUS REPORT by RANFIEL CASTANEDA SANCHEZ. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Wright, Jason) (Entered: 02/08/2019)
02/11/2019	<u>17</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 02/11/2019)
02/13/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>17</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before March 11, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 02/13/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 02/13/2019)
02/14/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 3/11/2019 (lsj) (Entered: 02/14/2019)
03/11/2019	<u>18</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. (Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 03/11/2019)
03/12/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>18</u> Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall file a further status report on or before April 30, 2019. If any disputes remain unresolved at that time, the report shall include a proposed schedule for prompt briefing. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 03/12/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 03/12/2019)
03/12/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 4/30/2019. (znbn) (Entered: 03/13/2019)
04/30/2019	<u>19</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT & PROPOSED BRIEFING SCHEDULE by RANFIEL CASTANEDA SANCHEZ. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Wright, Jason)

		(Entered: 04/30/2019)
05/03/2019		MINUTE ORDER: The parties are directed to confer and notify the Court whether the issues in this case and in 18-cv-764 are sufficiently related to warrant a consolidated briefing schedule and/or formal consolidation pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42(a). Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 05/03/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 05/03/2019)
05/09/2019	<u>20</u>	NOTICE to the Court by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE re Order, (Campbell, Rhonda) (Entered: 05/09/2019)
05/10/2019		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of the parties' <u>19</u> Joint Status Report and <u>20</u> Joint Notice to the Court, it is hereby ORDERED that this case shall be consolidated with 18-cv-764 pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42(a). All future filings shall be made on the docket of 18-cv-764. The parties shall adhere to the following briefing schedule: Defendants shall file their consolidated motion for summary judgment on or before June 24, 2019; Plaintiffs shall file their consolidated opposition and cross-motion for summary judgment on or before July 22, 2019; Defendants shall file their reply and opposition on or before August 12, 2019; Plaintiffs shall file their reply on or before August 26, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 05/10/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 05/10/2019)
05/10/2019		Cases Consolidated. Cases 18cv764 has been consolidated with case 18cv765, pursuant to an Order entered 5/10/2019. ALL FUTURE FILINGS SHALL BE MADE ON THE DOCKET OF LEAD CASE 18-cv-764. The parties are advised NOT to select the SPREAD TEXT option when filing in ECF, as this will result in repetitive docketing and emails (ztd) (Entered: 05/14/2019)
09/25/2019	<u>21</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply by YOLANDA VIZCARRA CALDERON, RANFIEL CASTANEDA SANCHEZ (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)Associated Cases: 1:18-cv-00764-CRC, 1:18-cv-00765-CRC(Wright, Jason) (Entered: 09/25/2019)
09/25/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>21</u> Motion for Extension of Time to File Consolidated Opposition and Cross-Motion for Summary Judgment. Plaintiffs shall now file their consolidated opposition and cross-motion for summary judgment on or before October 11, 2019; Defendants shall file their reply and opposition on or before November 1, 2019; and Plaintiffs shall file their reply on or before November 15, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 09/25/2019. (lccrc3) (Entered: 09/25/2019)
09/26/2019		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 10/11/2019. Response to Cross Motions due by 11/1/2019. Reply to Cross Motions due by 12/15/2019. (lsj) (Entered: 09/26/2019)
10/01/2019	<u>22</u>	NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION OF COUNSEL by April Denise Seabrook on behalf of U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE Substituting for attorney Rhonda L. Campbell (Seabrook, April) (Entered: 10/01/2019)
10/11/2019	<u>23</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re (24 in 1:18-cv-00764-CRC) MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by YOLANDA VIZCARRA CALDERON. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts Response to Defendant's Statement, # <u>2</u> Statement of Facts Plaintiffs' Statement of Facts in Material Dispute, # <u>3</u> Text of Proposed Order)Associated Cases: 1:18-cv-00764-CRC, 1:18-cv-00765-CRC(Wright, Jason) (Entered: 10/11/2019)
11/01/2019	<u>24</u>	ENTERED IN ERROR. . . .Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply as to (24 in 1:18-cv-00764-CRC) MOTION for Summary Judgment by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE Associated Cases: 1:18-cv-00764-CRC, 1:18-cv-00765-CRC(Seabrook, April) Modified on 11/1/2019 (ztd). (Entered: 11/01/2019)
11/01/2019		NOTICE OF ERROR re <u>24</u> Motion for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply; emailed to april.seabrook@usdoj.gov, cc'd 2 associated attorneys -- The PDF file you docketed contained errors: 1. Please refile document, 2. Case number is not listed on document. All case number should be listed on the document. (ztd, ) (Entered: 11/01/2019)

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11/01/2019	<u>25</u>	Amended MOTION for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply as to (24 in 1:18-cv-00764-CRC) MOTION for Summary Judgment by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE Associated Cases: 1:18-cv-00764-CRC, 1:18-cv-00765-CRC(Seabrook, April) (Entered: 11/01/2019)
11/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>25</u> Motion for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply. Defendants' Reply is now due on or before November 8, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher R. Cooper on 11/1/2019. (lccrc3) Modified on 11/1/2019 (lsj). (Entered: 11/01/2019)